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## 2004 Tecumseh Area Veteran Stand Down

Lafayette, Ind. – Please join the staff of WorkOne-Lafayette and American Legion Post #11 at the 2004 Tecumseh Area Veteran Stand Down on Saturday, June 26, 2004 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at American Legion Post #11.

The event is a coordinated effort to assist local veterans with information on housing services, essential physical health care, mental health counseling, financial and legal advice as well as personal development and empowerment. Stand down refers to a term used during war to describe the practice of removing combat troops from the field and taking care of their basic needs in a safe area.

Information has been sent to over 1,300 veterans and 400 employers in the Lafayette area. Corporate sponsors include Eli Lilly and CharterOne Bank. Additional sponsorships are available.

WorkOne-Lafayette and its veteran's employment and training (VET) staff is on the frontline assisting veterans with better employment opportunities. The VET staff is a concerned team motivated by over 40 years of combined military service. Trained and sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor, the VET staff can assist veterans and employers with employment search, selection and placement. Additional assistance is provided to those veterans with barriers to employment.

If veteran or employer would like additional information, please contact Stephanie Graf, WorkOne-Lafayette VET Representative at 765/ 474-5411.

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WHERE: American Legion Post #11

1801 South 9<sup>th</sup> Street

Lafayette, IN

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